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## **CMA destroys more than 40 percent of nation's chemical agents**

The U.S. Army Chemical Materials Agency has safely destroyed 40 percent of the nation's chemical blister and nerve agents. The destruction level was achieved through the combined efforts of CMA's disposal sites currently in operation, former disposal sites at Johnston Atoll in the South Pacific and in Maryland and CMA's Non-Stockpile Chemical Materiel Project. Chemical agents destroyed to date by CMA include GB (Sarin) and VX nerve agents and mustard blister agent. For the full story, visit <http://www.cma.army.mil/fndocumentviewer.aspx?docid=003676430>.

## **Umatilla depot begins final sarin-filled munitions campaign**

Workers at the Umatilla Chemical Depot, Ore., recently began the final GB (sarin) munitions campaign when they moved 155 mm diameter GB artillery projectiles to the disposal facility at the depot. The 155 mm GB projectiles or “shells” are the last type of sarin-filled munition stored at the depot. For the full story, visit <http://www.cma.army.mil/docviewerframe.aspx?docid=003676415>.

## **Tobyhanna restores 1,000 vans and shelters**

Tobyhanna employees have restored more than 1,000 electronics repair shelters and vans to like-new condition through the Army's Electronic Shop Van Recapitalization Program. Four years into the program, which is part of Army Transformation, the depot has overhauled 701 AN/ASM 146 and 147 shelters and 320 AN/ASM 189 and 190 vans with \$115 million Reset and Recap program funds.

Product Manager Force Sustainment Systems, Tobyhanna Army Depot, Communications-Electronics Life Cycle Management Command, located at the U.S. Army Soldier Systems Center, Natick, Mass., has overall responsibility and oversight of the program. For the full story, visit <http://www.tobyhanna.army.mil/about/news/PDFs/01-09-07.pdf>.

## **Value engineering program sees \$91 million in cost savings, avoidance**

The Armament Research, Development and Engineering Center and the Program Executive Office for Ammunition's Value Engineering program has resulted in \$91 million in cost savings and avoidance, exceeding the annual VE goal by 913 percent, in fiscal year 2006. This figure also represented 86 percent of the total Joint Munitions Command VE savings and cost avoidance for fiscal year 2006. For more information about ARDEC, visit <http://www.pica.army.mil/PicatinnyPublic/organizations/ardec/index.asp>, or PEO Ammo, visit <http://peoammo.army.mil/PEOAMMO/>.

## **ARDEC chief recognized as international employee of year**

Dr. Jerry Rubin, chief, Armament Research, Development and Engineering Center International Office, Picatinny Arsenal, N.J., was recently named the international employee of the year by the Army's Engineering and Scientist Exchange Program for his “leadership and aggressive management.”

According to the award, Rubin's efforts resulted in the assignment of 27 foreign scientists at ARDEC, including the first exchange scientist from Japan. For more information about ARDEC, visit <http://www.pica.army.mil/PicatinnyPublic/organizations/ardec/index.asp>.

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